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Gavrilovitch Gets Tentative Pledges on Accommodations in Parley With Mayor

If an area in New York State is selected as the permanent home for the United Nations Organization, an interim headquarters may be established in this city, it developed yesterday at a conference between the seven-man UNO subcommittee and Mayor O'Dwyer.

Although qualifications drafted by the Preparatory Commission in London preclude using any large city as a permanent site, the subcommittee made it plain that it would prefer a metropolis for interim arrangements. Dr. Stoyan Gavrilovitch of Yugoslavia, chairman, and his fellow emissaries conferred for a half hour yesterday with Mr. O'Dwyer and the Mayor's Committee on Permanent Headquarters, UNO, who submitted an elaborate twenty-six page brochure outlining various facilities here that would be available to the UNO and its permanent organization.

The Mayor, seemingly hopeful that the Preparatory Commission might rescind its previous rulings against establishing its permanent home in a large city, said no final decision had been reached as to whether temporary accommodations would be made available. He asked the committee to submit a letter specifying needs for interim arrangements. Dr. Gavrilovitch said the letter would be drafted today.

Explaining that the UNO's approximate needs would entail space for 1,000 persons in a permanent secretariat, between 100 and 200 in the Security Council and about 5,000 in the fluid General Assembly, Dr. Gavrilovitch told reporters that he did not expect an immediate reply from the Mayor.

He said Mr. O'Dwyer "more or less gave us assurances" that an assembly hall and hotel accommodations could be provided.

The Mayor earlier had expressed a willingness to furnish a temporary headquarters for the UNO, but explained that the project would involve some detailed work on the city's part, including land acquisition and housing. He indicated that he would oppose the project if it necessitated the displacement of any large number of citizens.

The Mayor said he told the committee that adequate facilities could be provided. "Before we begin," he added, "we'd like to know where the permanent site is to be."

At a ceremony broadcast earlier over Station WNYC, the Mayor welcomed the delegation and expressed regret that the decision to eliminate Flushing Meadows as a site had been made "without first analyzing what we had to offer."

Members of the Mayor's committee attending the meeting were: Winthrop W. Aldrich, Bernard M. Baruch, Herbert Bayard Swope, Frederic R. Coudert Sr., James A. Farley, Nelson A. Rockefeller, Thomas J. Watson, Robert Moses,

John W. Davis and Grover A. Whalen, chairman.

The UNO envoy received representatives of the Governors of three States earlier in the day and discussed particular sites in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut. Among sites named were a rural area, unnamed, near Princeton, N. J.; Richfield and Stamford, Conn.; Kingston, Poughkeepsie (Hyde Park), Newburgh, Westchester County and Long Island.